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What is claimed is:

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1. A method for use by a network security system, comprising:
identifying vulnerability conditions of a network;
based on those vulnerabilities, monitoring the network for intrusions so
that a user is only notified of intrusions to which the network is susceptible.

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2. A method for use by a network Security system, comprising:
identifying vulnerability conditions of a network;
based on those vulnerabilities, monitoring the network for intrusions
based on Strong and Semi-strong Validity.

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3. A network security system, including:
a vulnerability detection system that uses a first set of rules to identify
vulnerability conditions on a network;
an intrusion detection system that uses a second set of rules to identify
intrusion conditions on the network, wherein the second set of rules is based
on the vulnerability conditions identified by the intrusion detection system.

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4. A network security system, including:
a vulnerability detection system that identifies vulnerability conditions
on a network;
a target-based intrusion detection system that monitors the network for
intrusions that attack an identified vulnerability or that attack a vulnerability
where presence is not identified but is likely given the presence of the
identified vulnerability.

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